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SUBJ: GATT ARTICLE XXVIII NOEGOTIATIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICA -
CRAPERS

1. SOUTH AFRICAN MISSION INFORMS US OF INTENTION TO WITHDRAW
UNDER GATT ARTICLE XXVIII:5 THE DUTY-FREE BINDING ON TARIFF
ITEM EX 84.23, SCRAPERS. OVERALL TARIFF HEADING IS DES-
CRIBED AS "EXCAVATING, LEVELING, TAMPING, BORING AND EXTRACT-
ING MACHINERY, STATIONARY OR MOBILE, FOR EARTH,IMINERALS
OR ORES (FOR EXAMPLE, MECHANICAL SHOVELS, COAL-CUTTERS, EX-
CAVATORS, SCRAPERS, SCRAPERS, LEVELERS AND BULLDOZERS; PILE DRIVERS;
SNOWPLOWS, NOT SELF-PROPELLED (INCLUDING SNOWPLOW AT-
TACHMENTS): SCRAPERS".

2. AVERAGE ANNUAL IMPORTS FROM UNITED STATES FOR 1974-1976
ARE 3,577,463 RAND OF A TOTAL ANNUAL AVERAGE OF 5,557,769
RAND. U.S. HAS THE INR. THERE IS NO INDICATION OF LEVEL
AT WHICH TARIFF MIGHT BE REBOUND, AND JUDGING FROM
PAST SOUTH AFRICAN PRACTICE, IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT WE MAY
LOOK FORWARD TO TOTAL IMPARIMENT OF THE ITEM.

3. ASSUME U.S. WILL WISH TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS
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AND SEE APPROPRIATE COMPENSATION. WOULD WELCOME EARLY
CONFIRMATION FROM WASHINGTON THAT THIS IS SO, IN ORDER
THAT WE MAY OFFICIALLY INFORM SOUTH AFRICAN MISSION
WITHIN TIME LIMITS REQUIRED BY GATT ARTICLE XXVIII.
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